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Paid-up Capital \$2,457,500.
II—Fire Funds..... 3,637,047.
III—Life & Annuity Funds..... 17,567,590.
Sinking Fund Account..... 128,230.
\$23,970,367.
Revenue Fire Branch..... \$2,381,456.
Life and Annuity Branch..... 2,141,583.
Revenue Marine Department..... 327,239.
Other Receipts..... 478,940.
\$5,329,218.

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AMERICANS OCCUPY PART OF BATTLE-FRONT.

AMERICAN WAR SECRETARY'S WEEKLY REVIEW.

ALLIES' SUPERIORITY IN MEN AND GUNS.

Washington, Feb. 4.
The War Secretary's Weekly Review officially announces that the Americans occupy part of the actual battle front.

The nation is warned not to permit the industrial disturbances in Germany to slacken its war preparations. It is believed that the Allies have a preponderance of men and guns on the West Front, despite the reports of Germany's numerical superiority which are spread by the enemy.

The Inter-Allied Council at Versailles attained complete and close co-operation between the Allies and themselves, and harmonious understanding between the Supreme Commands of all forces engaged, and promises to show positive results.

The operations in which Americans have yet participated have been of a minor character. Hostile concentrations are continuing on the Western Front, while positive proof has been received that the enemy has removed troops from the Eastern theatre, and is stripping other fronts for the coming struggle in the West. Nevertheless the Allies are believed to still hold a very appreciable numerical superiority, both in men and guns.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

London, Feb. 5.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—
We successfully raided, last night, Fleurbaix and the Ypres-Staden railway.

BRITAIN THREATENS REPRISALS.

THE IMPRISONMENT OF BRITISH AIRMEN.

London, Feb. 5.
Reuter confirms that Great Britain, through Holland, has informed Germany that unless the captured British airmen, Captain Scholtz and Lieut. Wooley, who have been sentenced to a long term of imprisonment for distributing leaflets from the air, are immediately released and treated as ordinary prisoners-of-war, Great Britain will be compelled to take reprisals, of which one month's notice will be given, in accordance with the arrangement reached by Lord Newton's recent Mission to The Hague.

Great Britain does not admit Germany's contention that the airmen committed a breach of international law and points out that the Austrian and German airmen have repeatedly dropped pamphlets.

The effect of this judgment is to reserve all rights for decision till the war concludes and the German Government's views regarding the true construction of the Convention are ascertainable.

NEW ZEALAND AND THE WAR COUNCIL.

Wellington, Feb. 5.
The Cabinet has decided that New Zealand shall be represented at the forthcoming Imperial War Cabinet and War Conference. Subject to the approval of Parliament the Rt. Hon. W. F. Massey and the Rt. Hon. Sir J. G. Ward will be the Dominion representatives. A short session of Parliament will be opened about April 24 to make the necessary arrangements.

AMERICAN WAR LEGISLATION.

BILL TO CONTROL FINANCING OF PRIVATE UNDERTAKINGS.

Washington, Feb. 4.
A War Finance Bill, giving the Government control over the financing of private undertakings during the war, has been introduced in Congress.

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PEACE DELEGATES RETURN TO BERLIN.

SPECULATIONS AS TO THE REASON.

London, Feb. 5.
Dr. Kuehlmann and Count Czernin have suddenly returned to Berlin from Brestlitovsk, ostensibly to participate in deliberations regarding political, economic and territorial questions affecting the Central Powers. The precise meaning of this sudden return is unknown, but it seems to point to a temporary breakdown of the negotiations and possibly foreshadows a final ultimatum demanding the immediate acceptance of the German annexationist terms.

THE GERMAN STRIKES.

MOVEMENT WAVING TO EXTINCTION.

London, Feb. 4.
Apparently the strikes in Germany are waning. Reports from the provinces indicate that the movement in most places is ending or has ended. Krupp's state that no fewer than 400 of their workers struck. Some of these have been dismissed and others fined.

Troops are guarding the entrance to the building in the Moabit district, Berlin, where the court-martial is being held in camera.

It transpires that both the Majority and Minority socialists requested an immediate convocation of the Reichstag. The President replied saying that the leaders of all other Parties opposed the proposal, which, therefore, was refused.

BOARDING STEAMER SUNK.

LARGE LOSS OF LIFE.

London, Feb. 2.
The Admiralty announces that the armed boarding steamer Lounan was torpedoed and sunk in the Eastern Mediterranean on January 21.

Seven officers and 217 men were lost.

A DISPUTED PRIZE COURT JUDGMENT.

SUCCESSFUL APPEAL BY THE HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

London, Feb. 5.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council has allowed an appeal by the Hamburg-Amerika Line against the Prize Court judgment confiscating the Kron Prinzessin Cecilie and the Prince Adalbert, seized at Falmouth on August 6th, 1914.

The Court based its judgment on the circumstances attending the seizure were such that the vessels concerned were only liable to detention during the war.

Codes were given against the Crown.

The effect of this judgment is to reserve all rights for decision till the war concludes and the German Government's views regarding the true construction of the Convention are ascertainable.

INTIMATIONS

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 9th February, 1918, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th February to the 14th February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, Jan. 26, 1918.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND
BUILDING COMPANY,
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on SATURDAY, 9th February, 1918, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 4th to SATURDAY, 9th February, 1918 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOVER

Secretary to the

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Hongkong, Jan. 30, 1918.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JAS. & MATTHEW & COMPANY, Limited, on THURSDAY, the 21st February, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 11th February to THURSDAY, 21st February, 1918, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. S. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, Feb. 4, 1918.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 23rd day of February, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 11th February to SATURDAY, the 23rd February, 1918, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

N. J. STAER,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Feb. 5, 1918.

NOTICE.

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War Charities Fund Committee.

The Drawing will be in public, and

the date and hour at which it will take

place will be notified in due course by

advertisement.

The sale of tickets will close in Hong-

kong on Saturday, the 13th April, 1918.

Any disputes arising will be decided

by the Committee of St. George's Society

of Hongkong whose decision shall be final.

The names of the members of the

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N. J. STAER, Esq., (Vice-President).

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MUTINIOUS GERMANS.

A non-commissioned officer in the nineteenth reserve division wrote on October 1st:—"Counter-attack to-day relieved by—regiment and—storm battalion. On our way back we meet fresh troops coming up. What regiment are you? They do not answer. How many will not return! It is a heartrending experience. One man of the Sturmtrupp refuses to go on. His officer breaks into coarse abuse. He still refuses. Then he pushes him several times. He falls into a shell-hole and we have passed. All sorts of news about the success of the attack come in. In general the success is slight."

A later entry in the diary is as follows:

"After many of those who have reported sick have been returned as fit four sections are formed with difficulty. In the evening the order comes to stand to. Non-commissioned officers take up their packs but the men won't. The lieutenant reports it; the captain addresses them severely. He will have one man in every four about. Heavy shelling. One becomes aware by degrees of the enemy's superiority in artillery, especially in the heavies. Our fire only defensively."

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UNCONQUERED BELGIANS.

An extract from another diary written on September 26th at a Belgian village shows the unconquered spirit of the Belgian population:—"Yesterday we had a long discussion with the people on whom we are billeted. The mother and the eldest daughter of twenty-two had a long debate with Frank and myself about the war and peace. Strange, these people, whose hearts and homes the English have shelled to ruin (they were refugees removed from the war zone who have been evacuated by the German military authorities because their lives were in danger and have half a house allocated to them) in a bitterness of spirit which at times finds expression in their conversation are wishing and hoping that the English will yet liberate Belgium out. When we explained to the girl that we had held our lines here for three years while the English had definitely hoped to break through our front in 1917, and had only run their heads against a wall, and declared the English would not (under-scored) break through, she said, shrugging her shoulders, '1917 is not over yet. Another four months.'"

GERMAN DISCIPLINE.

An entry by another German soldier, and not known, describes the departure of a draft from a depot town under guard. The writer says:—"The guards are so numerous that there is one for every two men. Isn't it a scandal that our boys in field-grey are led into the field to fight and die for the Fatherland like criminals to the hangman, or worse, like cattle to the slaughter? Isn't it enough that so soon as the departure of a draft was announced the men not forming part of it should be prevented from going into the town by pickets at five yards in every direction? Don't believe the beautiful lying stories of our German papers, for they place our lads in a totally false light when such things as this happen. A free sacrifice indeed!"

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He added that if the Bishops and theologians had their way, they would do more harm to the population of Great Britain than the Germans had done in the war. (Cheers.)

Sir Arthur, who is President of the Divorce Law Reform Union, moved a resolution (which Lord Burnham seconded) calling for immediate regulations to convert separations of three years and upwards into divorces, and give freedom to the million permanently separated persons in the country.

Mr. Birrell wrote to the meeting:—"It is now clear that many important and official members of the Church of England are organizing an opposition in Parliament, but, subject to one qualification, it is hard to see that at this time of day they can considerably do so. The Church of England is not now entitled to treat the whole nation as if it were an appendage, as she was able to do for so long in the case of the two ancient universities, now out of her grasp."

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No. 3 Dock, Kowloon	100	12	12	12
No. 4 Dock, Kowloon	100	12	12	12
No. 5 Dock, Kowloon	100	12	12	12
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T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

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ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB. FANLING.

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

BANKERS' CUP.—February 9th to 12th inclusive.
Bogey Competition for men. Main Course.
MIXED FOURSOMES.—February 9th to 12th inclusive.
Relief Course. Twice Round.
Medal Play. Handicap: Half of Joint Handicaps.
ENTRANCE FEES for both Competitions will be given to War Charities.
1st and 2nd Prizes kindly presented.
JOHN BENTLEY,
Hon. Secretary.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

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THE CALENDAR.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

9.15 p.m.—Concert at Theatre Royal by A. Mirovitch and M. Fiala.

GENERAL MEMORANDA.

SATURDAY, Feb. 9.—
11 a.m.—Kowloon Land & Building Co. annual meeting.

11.30 a.m.—Humphreys Estate & Finance Co. Annual Meeting.

MONDAY, Feb. 11.—
Chinese New Year.

THURSDAY, Feb. 21.—
Noon—Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s meeting.

SATURDAY, Feb. 23.—
12 noon—Hongkong & Shanghai Bank meeting at City Hall.

MONDAY, Feb. 25.—
Hongkong Jockey Club Races.

TUESDAY, Feb. 26.—
Second day of Races.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 27.—
Third day of Races.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

We regret to learn that the Rev. N. C. Pope M.A., Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, underwent a serious operation yesterday afternoon, and is at present in a very dangerous condition.

Answering questions asked by Dr. Ozorio at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, the President said the question of covering the drain running parallel to the railway at Kowloon is now under discussion between the Sanitary Department, the Kowloon-Canton railway and the Drainage Authority. The small, the President said, is rarely noticeable. Any danger there can be due to mosquitoes. The nallah in Glenelg has received and is receiving the regular attention of the Public Works Department.

DEATH.

DOUGALL.—At Montreal, Canada, JAMES S. N. DOUGALL, father of Mrs. T. G. Turnbull, of this City.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, Feb. 6, 1918.

THE COMING ENEMY OFFENSIVE.

At a moment when we are being told in the cables of the imminence of the much advertised supreme effort of the Germans to break through the Western Front, it is well to note the fact that so far as any comment on the subject has been made by responsible Allied statesmen, it indicates that the Allied Commanders are well prepared to meet it with quiet confidence in their ability to defeat it. The statements inspired by the enemy about the Russian breakdown giving him a great superiority in the West have been answered in many quarters. Sir Auckland Geddes, the British Minister of National Service, who may be regarded as voicing the views of the War Council on the subject, said in a public speech last month that even reckoning that the Russian defection might possibly mean 1,800,000 Austrian and German troops available for other fronts, "the resources of the Allies were nevertheless, sufficient to assure victory," and that "nothing but a psychological catastrophe could save the Central Powers." We see the estimates which Sir AUCKLAND GEDDES gave of the number of men which Austria and Germany can draw upon for immediate use are regarded by military critics as "outside estimates." One critic avers that the figure of 1,800,000 new men for the West is the enemy's maximum under the most favourable circumstances, including conscripts called up this year. The public are hardly likely to quarrel with the War Council for basing its calculations on the utmost possible strength that the enemy might throw into the attack. We see the view expressed that the Allies are quite able to deal with the situation even without American help, and the latter coming in as a relief makes the Entente position much better than the enemy's. Moreover, the history of the war has shown us that the Allies do not mind numbers. They have always beaten numbers and ask nothing better than to deal with enemy masses and so hasten victory. Still it is highly satisfactory to learn from the Weekly Review of the American Secretary of State for War that the Allies in men and guns are numerically superior to the enemy, and also that the American Army now actually occupy a portion of the Front.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Allied Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals—
Mat. Bag's Guild, \$75.
Dried Fruit Dealers Guild, 35.

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Benevolent Society was held to-day at the City Hall. Mr. T. F. Hough was in the chair, and there were also present Mrs. Pollock, Mrs. Wolfe, Mrs. McKenny (Hon. Secretary), Miss Wilkinson, Dr. Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Chatham, Mr. A. H. Harris and other.

The Report was as follows:—
The Ladies of the Committee beg to present the following Report and Statement of Account for the year 1917.

The Society was founded in 1889, and the number of cases entered in the books has reached 1478.

There have been twenty-one new applications for assistance during the year just concluded; and help in one form or another has been given in every case. Numbers of people not entered in the books have been supplied with clothing.

The Society is responsible for the maintenance of thirty orphan children at various schools in the Colony, the upkeep and education of which have cost the Society \$1,200.00.

Several men have been helped to find work; and passages have been provided to different parts of the world.

Board and lodging have been provided for men who were looking for work.

The number of new cases applying for help during the past year is less than usual, and is attributed to the increased opportunities for men to find work on account of the war.

The Secretary, or the Assistant Secretary, attends at the City Hall on Mondays and Thursdays at 11 o'clock to interview applicants for help. Gifts of clothing for men, women, and children, will be gratefully received at that time.

The thanks of the Committee are due to all the subscribers and donors to the Society; to Mr. H. C. Sanford for kindly adding the accounts; to the Rev. T. W. Fothergill for his assistance and advice; and to the members of friends who have helped during the year.

In conclusion we wish to gratefully acknowledge the annual grant of \$500 from the Colonial Government.

(Sd.) KATHLEEN MCKENNY,
Hon. Secretary.

THE CHAIRMAN then submitted the account of work done during the year and continued:—Ladies and Gentlemen. From what I have just read out, you will have noticed the reference to three cases of Chinese having married European women with the deplorable results, all too frequent, of the wife finding herself stranded on arrival here. These occurred the attention of the Society at different times and every credit is due to the Committee for the tactful way in which the cases were handled. Outside of this, the detailed account of work done, does not call for much comment. I am informed that during the past year applications for relief were fewer than usual, due no doubt in a measure to derelicts nowadays not being so much in evidence as formerly. Turning to the Hon. Treasurer's audited accounts, I see we brought forward from 1916, \$2,861.35 which, when added to the contributions from the sources set forth, bring the total receipts up to \$5,723.33.

The principal item on the disbursement side is \$3,200.26 paid in donations and relief of cases. The other items speak for themselves and you will observe that we carry forward \$2,407.18—\$2,000.00 of which is on fixed deposit, the balance \$407.18 being at credit in current account. With these remarks I propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts and will feel obliged if someone will second the proposition.

This was seconded by Mr. A. H. HARRIS, and carried unanimously.

THE CHAIRMAN said:—The Report and Accounts being now before the meeting for discussion anyone wishing for further information will oblige by putting questions now.

There being no questions, the Chairman said:—The next business is the election of a new Committee and office bearers for the ensuing year.

The Committee elected for 1918 is composed as follows:—
President, Mrs. Pollock; Vice-President, Mrs. Davies; Honorary Treasurer, Mrs. Wolfe; Honorary Secretary, Mrs. McKenny; Assistant Honorary Secretary, Miss Wilkinson; Committee, Mrs. Chatham, Mrs. Forsyth, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Innes, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Kraft, Mrs. Lang, Mrs. Montague, Harston, Mrs. Shell, and Mrs. Knight.

THE CHAIRMAN said:—This concludes the business for which the meeting was called, but before separating I would like to mention the deep appreciation felt by the various War Charities being considered as of more importance at the present juncture, than hope, and feel confident, that on reflection the Community will not only keep their donations to this Society up to the average, but increase them whenever possible.

DON'T COUGH.

It is absurd to allow a cough to hang on and sap your vitality when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will cure you. You don't know where a persistent cough will land you. You can't afford to allow your throat and lungs to become diseased. When it is such a simple thing to step into a chemist's shop, and get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, for sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

25 MIDDLESEX REGIMENT.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE MINING OF THE "TYNDARUS."

SPECIAL SERVICE AT THE CATHEDRAL.

A Special Service was held in St. John's Cathedral this morning on the occasion of the first anniversary of the mining of H.M. Transport "Tyndarus," off Cape Agulhas (Cape Colony) having on board the 25th (F.S.) Garrison, Middlesex Regiment.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop of Victoria conducted the service, assisted by the Rev. C. L. Cooper Hunt, Chaplain to the Forces, and the Rev. G. Hastings Naval Chaplain, read the lessons.

Col. John Ward, M.P., Commanding Officer, and Major Browne, second in command, and the Officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the Middlesex Regiment occupied the body of the Cathedral.

Prior to arriving at the Cathedral, the whole of the Middlesex Regiment, headed by Col. John Ward, M.P., and Major Browne, and also the Regiment's mascot, a dog called "Jack," marched from the Victoria Barracks, accompanied by the Band, under Bandmaster Laurie Owen.

The service which was opened by the Band playing "The Hymn of Praise," consisted of specially chosen hymns and prayers, the Te Deum Laudamus, the hymns being played by the band, and concluded with the singing of the National Anthem and the Benediction.

THE BISHOP in his address said: "They that go down to the sea in ships and do business in the great waters; they see the works of the Lord and the wonders of the deep. They cry unto the Lord in their trouble and he bringeth them out of their distress. He maketh the storm a calm. They are glad because they be quiet and so he bringeth them unto their desired haven. Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and his wonderful works to the children of men. Let us exalt Him and praise Him in the assembly of the elders." So wrote the Psalmist in 107th Psalm, and the words, said the Bishop, surely were very appropriate on that occasion.

The sixth of February would, he supposed, ever be a red letter day in the history of the Middlesex Regiment, or at a ny any of their 25th Battalion. All the world had heard of their experience on that memorable day. Humanly speaking there were many causes to which they owed their deliverance and their lives. It was a good thing that they were sailing; it was a mercy that the wireless telegraph was not damaged; and it was remarkable that some heavy machinery, as he was informed, fell into the sea and lightened the ship. They were all aware of the splendid courage and excellent management of the Captain and officers of that ship and last, but not least, the discipline and courage of their officers and the men themselves displayed on that occasion. They would remember the message coming from His Most Gracious Majesty the King, and it was perhaps fitting that he should repeat it.

"Please express to the officers commanding and men of the Middlesex Regiment my high appreciation of the conduct displayed by all ranks on the occasion of the accident to the Tyndarus. In their discipline and courage they worthily upheld the traditions of the British Army."

The service to-day suggested that they believed that, behind all these things, there was another Power that saved their lives. There was a little house in Chester which bears the inscription—"Providence is my own inheritance," and he ventured to say that God's providence was their life. By the providence of God they meant the overruling superintendence of the universe, and that was generally manifested by the laws of nature which we believe God had laid down, and it was difficult for them to realise God's great care of individuals in this planet. This world was such a tiny planet; a mere speck, and revolved round one little sun, perhaps one of millions of suns. If our sun were to burn out and this planet to become like a cinder, apparently, it would not make a great deal of difference to the universe. When they thought of the magnitude of the universe and the smallness of the world, it was difficult to realise that they could call on God's providential care of individuals. They believed that God, who is so mighty that He controls the whole universe, is able to care for individuals. They believed what Jesus Christ said, that the very hairs of their heads were numbered, and not even a sparrow falls to the ground without the knowledge of their Father. There was much that they could not explain as to God's providence. If they asked him why God's providence saved their ship and their lives and God's providence did not spare the Lusitania or the Hampshire with Lord Kitchener and many other lives as valuable as theirs, he could not give them an answer. Those questions were easier to ask than to answer. He supposed the day would come when they would see that God, who ruled all things, had made no mistakes, and that they ought to thank God, as they were doing that day, for the light which had been spared. He supposed all lives that were spared were for some purpose in the world. It would have been far better for some men to have been drowned than to live vicious lives and to have their character deteriorated. Their Lord said of certain people, who committed certain sins that it would have been better for them if a mill-

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The annual prize distribution of Queen's College took place to-day at noon.

On the platform of the Hall of the School were the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., Mr. D. K. Dealy, Headmaster, Major Morgan, Mr. E. Irving, Director of Education, Mr. E. Ralphs, Inspector of Schools, Bishop Pozzoni, Sir Charles Elliot, Mr. Trice Martin and Mr. Ho Kom Tong, and there were a large number of parents and friends of the scholars present.

A guard of honour composed of a detachment of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, under Mr. Ralphs, came smartly to attention as the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn entered the building.

Before the ceremonies opened the Headmaster said that he desired to express their regrets at the unavoidable absence of His Excellency, the Governor, who had originally intended to be present and also their pleasure that the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., had consented so readily to take His Excellency's place.

A Report, which would occupy several columns of the China Mail, was read by the Headmaster. Considerations of space to-day compel us to hold over a digest of the Report until to-morrow.

THE HON. MR. CLAUD SEVERN then distributed the prizes and addressed the scholars. He said that Mr. Dealy had expressed the great disappointment they all felt that His Excellency was unable to be there to present the prizes, and he felt much honoured at being asked to take His Excellency's place. He was glad to see that they had many distinguished visitors amongst whom were the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Bishop Pozzoni, Mr. Ho Kom Tong and Mr. Trice Martin who is Headmaster of what he might call one of the notable schools of Siam, and where many of the Siamese Princes and sons of some of the most notable families in Bangkok were under his care. He thought they might consider the Report just read to be entirely satisfactory. The numbers of the school, three years ago, had fallen to a lower level than for many years before. Several causes contributed to that, into which it was not necessary for him to enter, but the school was now, both in numbers and efficiency, distinctly on the up grade. Reference had been made in the Report to the appointment of several ladies to the teaching staff and it was to be hoped that the study of English, both written and spoken, would be much helped by their teaching. During the past two days he had distributed the prizes of two other schools. At these schools over a thousand boys were receiving a good

grounding in the subjects they would require in Queen's College and other secondary schools, and he hoped that when the boys came to Queen's College they would be able to continue their education through the upper classes, steadily and without being forced. There had been a tendency to promote boys before they were ready, with the result that when they had been tested by the standard of the University examinations, the extraordinary weakness of many had been disclosed. A boy's scholastic career in the Colony of Hongkong depended upon his application. He could obtain a free scholarship to Queen's College and afterwards to the University. But it was essential that he should be well grounded in every subject so that when he finally sat for his matriculation, he should have a thorough knowledge of the English language. The University rightly maintained a high standard in its examinations. They did not want to have undergraduates who, from a want of knowledge of the English language, could not take full advantage of the lectures. In dwelling so much on the necessity of a thorough knowledge of English, he was not unmindful of the excellent work done at Queen's College in the study of Chinese. For many years the school had had the benefit of the devoted work of the Rev. Mr. Wells as translation master, and he was glad to hear from the Report that the acting Inspector of Vernacular Schools said that the teaching of Chinese at Queen's College had been as careful as could have been wished. He must also congratulate the school on its success in athletics—in volley ball and football. He also had to compliment the College on the possession of a Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, which, under Mr. Tanner's guidance, promised to achieve equal success to that of Saiyungun School. Most of these things came out of the pupils' leisure time and they were of great value to the Colony. The war had given a great impetus to good citizens to come forward and to do their utmost to help at a time when many had left the Colony to join His Majesty's Forces, and the outstanding example of such help was the Hongkong Police Reserves. The members of that body had given up much of their time in becoming efficient officers and their unselfish work had been of great value to the Colony, and the past and present pupils of Queen's College had taken a large part in that work. Before he closed he would like to refer to the great loss Queen's College will experience in the retirement of the Headmaster. Mr. Dealy had been for more than 30 years connected with the College and the pupils who had passed through his hands must number many thousands, amongst whom were many of the most prominent men in the business and professional life of Hongkong.

Addressing Mr. Dealy, Mr. Claud Severn said:—It has been your life's work, Mr. Dealy, and I am sure you will look back on it with pride and pleasure. Though you will be here for a few weeks longer, this is the last occasion on which you will preside at the annual prize giving, and I can confidently assure you that you will carry with you into your retirement the best wishes of the Government that you have served, and the generations of scholars whom you have trained within these walls. (Applause.)

Mr. Dealy thanked the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn in a few well-chosen words, and after the usual cheers had been given, the ceremonies concluded.

stones had been tied round their necks than that they should live to commit the sins they did. Therefore it was for them to make the best of the remainder of their lives.

THE BISHOP went on to beseech his hearers to avoid what were the three worst temptations—immorality, gambling and drink. All three, he said, they would find in Hongkong. He reminded them of Mr. Lloyd George's words when he said they had three enemies—Germany, Austria and Drink—and he considered drink was the greatest of the three. Whilst thousands of men had perished in the war, far more had perished through drink. God spared their lives a year ago and he beseeched them not to make a shipwreck of their lives upon the rock of drink. He could tell them of cases of men who had made shipwreck of their lives. He reminded them of the great example set the British Empire by the late Lord Bute, who, after a long and brilliant career, had perished through drink. He reminded them of the late King, who, by abstaining from all drink, and also what the King said about gambling. His Majesty said:—"I have always had a horror of gambling and have always done my utmost to discourage others, as the spirit of gambling, like intemperance, is one of the greatest evils of the country. They would need to look for the protection of God. God had heard their prayers. He was sure many of them prayed and came to believe that God heard their prayers. He was able to hear them when they were wrecked. God was able to keep them from temptation and from falling.

After the last hymn had been sung, Colonel John Ward addressed the men, reminding them of their courageous conduct a year ago. He asked them to bear well in mind the words of the Bishop, which he felt sure, would help them in their future lives.

The band then played the National Anthem, the men presenting arms.

The Officers on parade at the Cathedral this morning were Lt.-Col. Ward, Officer Commanding; Capt. Smith, Adjutant; Major Browne, C.O. Coy. Lieutenants Eastman, Dickman, Telford, Capt. Richardson, O.C. B. Coy. Capt. Estabill, Lieutenants Capen, Padest, Watson.

GOLF COMPETITIONS.

The Captain's Cup for 1917 was won by Mr. R. J. Birbeck who beat Mr. W. D. Kraft in the final on Sunday last, 3 up and 2 to play.

Medals for the monthly winners of the Captain's Cup in 1917 can be had on application to the No. 1 Boy, Happy Valley.

The Christmas Mixed Fouromes Competition was finally decided on Saturday, and resulted in Mrs. Draper and Mrs. Evans winning the first prize, and Miss Gordon and Mr. Bulder Johnson, the second.

Competitions at Fanling for the Chinese New Year Holidays are announced in an advertisement appearing in another column. There will be a Bogey Competition on the main course for men for a Bankers' Cup and a mixed Foursomes on the Relief course.

TELEGRAMS.

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AFFAIRS IN GREECE.

CHAMBER CLOSED BY OFFICIAL DECREE.

LONDON, Feb. 4. Telegrams from Athens clearly indicate that the military previously called was due to civilian agitators. An official decree orders the closing of the Chamber, the reactionary members having been preparing a campaign of obstruction and opposition to mobilisation.

THE HALIFAX DISASTER.

COMMISSION'S FINDINGS.

HALIFAX, U.S., Feb. 5. The Commission investigating the disaster of December 6th blames Pilot McKay, of Halifax, and Captain Lamouche of the steamer Mont Blanc. Both have been arrested and charged with manslaughter.

The Commission recommends the cancellation of Captain Lamouche's license and censures the Pilotage Authorities for permitting McKay to pilot ships since the disaster. The Chief Examining Officer has been found guilty of neglect of duty as regards the movements of ships in the harbour.

THE TRIAL OF BOLO PASHA.

PARIS, Feb. 4. The court was crowded and there was the most intense expectation of further revelations. The sitting was devoted to reading a very lengthy indictment describing Bolo's relations with the ex-Khedive and others, unravelling the tangled skein of intrigue influencing opinion in France, including the purchase of the Figaro.

Numerous witnesses are subpoenaed, including Bolo's wives, M. Barthou, ex-Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Madame Caillaux (the latter is indisposed and unable to attend). M. Caillaux is also cited and will be brought from prison when called.

Bolo appeared very calm. He took his seat in the dock, adjusted his monocle, surveyed the seven judges with an insolent air, and waved his hand to the lady who is his latest wife.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

ACTIVITY ON THE WESTERN FRONT.

LONDON, Feb. 4. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:— A strong party of the enemy attempted to raid a post northward of Havincourt, but were driven off with heavy loss. Another party rushed a post southward of Armentieres. Five of our men are missing. There is hostile artillery activity eastward of Hargicourt, northward of Lens, in the neighbourhood of Armentieres and eastward of Ypres. Aeroplanes dropped 44 tons of bombs on various targets, including rail-signals at Melleplage, Munster and Lightwilde. Five hostile machines were brought down and five driven down. One of ours is missing.

LATER. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:— We raided enemy trenches eastward of Hargicourt. There was hostile artillery activity at Lens and north-eastward of Carville. Our aeroplanes yesterday dropped four tons of bombs on various targets, including the railway station and sidings at Valenciennes. They also fired several thousand rounds at the enemy in the trenches and back areas and brought down five and drove down five enemy machines. One of our machines bombed the enemy's aerodrome and billets last night.

ENEMY ATTACK ON WEST FRONT REPULSED.

LONDON, Feb. 4. A French communique states:— After a violent artillery preparation the Germans, last evening, attempted an attack on the sector west of Fresnoy, which was easily repulsed. Between January 21 and 31 thirteen enemy aeroplanes were brought down and fifteen others were seriously damaged and fell uncontrolled in their own lines. Another French communique records an intense artillery duel north of Aisne, in the Cornillet region, Argonne, and Upper Alsace.

A FORTY YEARS TEST.

CHAMBERLAIN'S Cough Remedy has been curing coughs and colds for the past forty years and has gained in popularity every year. What better recommendation is required? For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

BRITISH NAVAL AERIAL ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Feb. 4. The Admiralty reports:— Naval aircraft yesterday bombed the aerodrome at Houtave. One enemy machine was brought down and two driven down out of control. Two of ours are missing.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

AERIAL ACTIVITY.

LONDON, Feb. 4. An Italian official message says:— We brought down eight aeroplanes and the British brought down six. YENICE BOMBED. LONDON, Feb. 4. An Italian official message states:— Enemy aviators bombed Venice, Padua, Treviso and Mestre, hitting the civil hospital at Treviso. Altogether there were eighteen casualties.

MOBILISATION IN GREECE.

A MUTINY SUPPRESSED.

ATHENS, Dec. 4. An official message says:— A large proportion of the Lamia infantry regiments and a number of artillerymen armed themselves and mutinied, but the movement was quickly suppressed. It is stated that the Government intends to deal most severely with attempts to impede the progress of mobilisation.

SUBMARINE PIRACY.

KAISER DECORATES CREWS.

LONDON, Feb. 4. On the occasion of the anniversary of submarine ruthlessness the Kaiser has created a special decoration for submarine crews and has awarded the highest class of the *Ordre Pour le Merite* to Admiral von Scheer.

ADMIRALTY DENIES GERMAN AND TURKISH REPORTS.

LONDON, Feb. 4. The Admiralty denies the German wireless report that a large English warship, accompanied by torpedo-boat chasers, was mined and sunk in the Firth of Forth. There was no incident on which the statement could be based.

THE DARDANELLES FIGHT.

LONDON, Feb. 4. The Admiralty states that submarine E14 proceeded to the Dardanelles on January 27, in order to complete the destruction of the *Gallipoli*.

A wireless Turkish official message reports that the E14 was sunk at Kumkale and that seven men were saved. It adds that they shot off the periscope of E82, which was certainly regarded destroyed. The British Admiralty states that all except E14 have returned to their bases.

NORWEGIAN SHIPPING LOSSES IN JANUARY.

LONDON, Feb. 5. Reuter learns that twelve Norwegian vessels were lost in January through the war and eight Norwegian sailors were killed.

THE STRIKES IN GERMANY.

ALL FACTORIES UNDER MILITARY CONTROL.

LONDON, Feb. 4. A telegram from Copenhagen states that the Military Commander of the Berlin District has issued a proclamation declaring that all important factories are under complete military control and the employees will be court-martialed unless they resume work on Monday morning. The courts-martial in Berlin are authorized to pass death sentences, the execution of which will occur twenty-four hours after sentence.

GERMAN STRIKE LEADER SENTENCED.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4. A telegram from Berlin states that Herr Dietmann has been sentenced to five years' confinement in a fortress for attempted high treason, and also to two months' imprisonment for resisting the authorities.

THE STRIKE IN HOLLAND.

ONLY A SMALL PERCENTAGE STRIKE.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4. The strike called by syndicalists for today is in nowise general and only a small percentage of the employees of various works have so far struck. Mounted gendarmes are patrolling the streets and preventing the strikers from forming crowds.

BOLO PASHA ON TRIAL.

PARIS, Feb. 5. The trial of Bolo Pasha and others began before a court-martial. Counsel for the defense pointed out that a state of war did not exist between France and Turkey and requested an adjournment in order to call witnesses from Constantinople and also Mr. Haart, the newspaper proprietor, from the United States. The Court refused this on the ground that it had no power to compel attendance.

THE GATHERING STORM.

LONDON, Feb. 4.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters says:— Amid side-shows like artillery activity there exists a general sense of expectancy of dramatic developments which are momentarily awaited. The lull before the storm seems to be ending.

The Daily Telegraph's Special Correspondent estimates that the Germans now number 180 Divisions in the West, of whom 118 are in the line, or an increase of about forty Divisions compared with the campaign of 1917.

RUMANIAN ARMY FIGHTING RUSSIANS.

RUSSIAN DIVISIONS DISARMED.

LONDON, Feb. 4. Rumanian official telegrams state that the great part of the Rumanian Army is now fighting and disarming Russian troops. The disintegration on the Russian Front in Moldavia is increasing daily, whole units proceeding to Russia attacking Rumanian towns and villages en route.

The Rumanians after twenty-four hours' fighting disarmed a Russian Division and captured fifty guns with which the Russians were bombarding Galatz.

The Rumanians also surrounded, disarmed and sent to Russia, a Russian Army Corps, which attacked Faticu in Moldavia.

Owing to the Red Guards stopping supplies from Bessarabia for Moldavia, Rumania, at the request of the Bessarabian Government, occupied the food centres of Bessarabia, also the Kishinev-Jassy railway.

The Rumanians are now fighting the Bolsheviks throughout Bessarabia.

THE SITUATION IN UKRAINE.

THE REAL POSITION OF THE BOLSHEVIKS.

LONDON, Feb. 4.

Light is thrown on the hitherto obscure situation in Ukraine by a speech by the representative of the Rada at Brest-Litovsk, who stated that 90 per cent. of the Rada's candidates were elected to the Constituent Assembly, compared with less than 10 per cent. of the Bolshevik candidates in Ukraine. The Ukrainian Congress of Soviets at Kiev on December 3, overwhelmingly declared for the Rada, whereupon a small group of Bolsheviks went to Kharkoff and declared itself the new government of the Ukrainian People's Republic. The latter's delegates hardly represented the town of Kharkoff, much less the Ukrainian Republic.

RADA REPRESENTATIVES RECOGNISED AT BREST-LITOVSK.

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 4.

After hearing the statement of the Ukrainian Rada representative at Brest-Litovsk, in which he was attacked by M. Trotsky, the delegation of the Central Powers decided to recognize the representatives of the Rada as entitled to speak for Ukraine.

COMMUNAL KITCHENS FOR ENGLAND.

FOR USE OF ALL CLASSES.

LONDON, Feb. 5.

The Ministry of Food announces the early establishment of a countrywide system of communal kitchens. Local authorities will own and manage them, the Government providing 25 per cent. of the initial outlay and guaranteeing 25 per cent. of the initial working expenses.

The kitchens are intended for use of all classes and the dining room of the House of Commons might be placed on a communal basis.

THE ELECTORAL REFORM BILL.

THE HOUSE OF LORDS AMENDMENT.

LONDON, Feb. 5.

In the House of Lords on the Electoral Reform Bill, Lord Selbourne moved that they should not insist on their scheme of proportional representation, but insert counter-proposals applying the principle of all boroughs returning three or more members.

The Pears agreed to this by 86 votes to 55.

Lord Gwynne moved that the House of Lords insist on their amendment eliminating the alternative vote, and the motion was carried by 66 votes to 29.

IRISH M.P. FINED FOR FOOD HOARDING.

LONDON, Feb. 4.

Mr. W. J. MacCaw, M.P. for Down, W., has been fined £400 for food hoarding.

HUGE FINES FOR LIQUOR DEALERS.

Eight Chinese firms, wholesale Chinese liquor merchants, have been prosecuted at Kuala Lumpur for knowingly being concerned in fraudulent attempts at evasion of customs, by importing spirits, liquors into Kuala Lumpur, via Senang, in order to avoid sampling and testing of alcoholic strength, and with falsely declaring the liquor to be of brands that were subject to lesser rates of duty.

LAUNCH AT KOWLOON DOCKS.

ANOTHER VESSEL FOR SIAM.

Another launch took place yesterday afternoon at Kowloon Docks, when the new vessel *Valaya* took the water. A number of interested spectators were present; the launching ceremony being gracefully performed by Mrs. Chas. Forsyth.

This is the second vessel built for the Siam Steamship Co., Ltd., Bangkok.

The *Valaya* is a steel single screw steamer of the *Awning Deck* type, with raised fore-deck; boat deck amidships and aft. Principal dimensions are:—

Length overall 224ft. 6ins. Length B.P. 223ft. 0ins. Breadth Moulded 35ft. 6ins. Depth Moulded to Awning Deck 20ft. 0ins. Depth Moulded to Main Deck 20ft. 0ins.

The hull is divided into six tanks, two for oil cargo, one for oil fuel and three for fresh water. Fresh water is carried in the forward and after peak tanks. Cargo-loading gear is speedy and efficient, five derricks of 5 tons and 15 tons lift working the forward hold and tween deck, and two derricks of 2 tons lift working the after hold.

In the tween decks two cargo doors and two coaling doors are fitted on each side. The auxiliary machinery consists of six steam winches, steam windlass, steam and hand steering gear, and a dynamo of twelve K.W. operating 180 lights and 20 fans, on the double wire system. Provision is made in the tween deck for carrying 220 cattle, the stalls being of pine.

Amidships on the awning and boat decks, accommodation is provided for 24 first class passengers in up-to-date cabins, fittings being of teak. The saloon is handsomely furnished. Overhead fans, large rectangular windows, double doors at front and sides, and the skylight on boat deck, will ensure a cool and pleasant table.

On the after part of the midship boat deck is a cabin-de-luxe, having all conveniences. The privacy of this suite of rooms will be specially attractive to the inter-continental business man.

The captain, officers and crew are berthed in large and airy rooms on the awning deck and navigating bridge. Second class passengers and stewards are berthed in the fore-castle, the scullery, foremen, chin-chew and kranies, tally clerks, and junior officers, in a large house aft on the awning deck and in the after tween decks.

The life saving appliances, tank life boats, etc., are as required by the Board of Trade for a first class passenger certificate for about 500 saloon and deck passengers, and crew.

The deadweight will be approximately 1,000 tons on the freeboard awarded by Lloyd's, the vessel being classed 100 A.1. The bale stowage provided in the holds and tween decks is 72,000 cubic feet.

The vessel will be propelled by one set of triple expansion surface condensing engines driving through forged steel shafting a bronze propeller. The cylinder dimensions are H.P. 17" dia., L.P. 27" dia., L.P. 44" dia., with a common stroke of 30".

The engines throughout are of the latest design. The auxiliary machinery comprises, one Weir's Feed Pump and Weir's direct contact feed water heater working in conjunction with the feed pumps and feed water filter on the main engines; one large centrifugal pump for circulating water through the main condenser, one vertical duplex ballast pump, one vertical duplex donkey feed pump, and one vertical duplex pump for the oil service.

All necessary connections for the efficient and economical handling of the engines are provided. Steam is generated in two single ended boilers 27' 0" internal diameter by 10' 8" long over end plates, constructed to British Board of Trade and Lloyd's requirements for a working pressure of 190 lbs. per sq. inch. Each boiler has two large corrugated furnaces fitted with arrangements for burning oil fuel.

As with the sister ship *Sudhadi*, launched by the Dock Company in December, 1917, and now nearing completion, the speed trials of the *Valaya* will be progressive, and full speed, the latter of 8 hours' duration.

BEWARE OF COLD. CHILDREN are much more likely to contract the contagious diseases when they have colds. Whooping cough, diphtheria, scarlet fever, and even measles are diseases that are often contracted when the child has a cold. That is why all medical authorities say: Beware of colds. For the quick cure of colds you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

TRAINING NOTES.

THIS MORNING'S GALLOPS.

Most of this morning's gallops were over short distances, very few ponies being taken over a mile. It is as yet too early to judge the ponies, but it may be said that some of the Subs. showed good form and finished well.

Below we give the times, the "1" and "0" in parenthesis denoting whether the gallops were taken on the inside or outside course; l.g. denotes time taken in last quarter:—

DERBY GRIFFINS.

BANTAM DALLIA (i), 1 mile, 36.4, 1.10.2; 1.45; 2.19.4; l.g. 34.4. BEAC CAT (o), 1 mile, 35.4, 1.12, 1.46; 2.18; l.g. 32.

CHURCH MOUSE (i), 1 mile, last 3, 38.2, 1.17.2; 1.51.2; l.g. 34. CONQUEST DALLIA (o), 1 mile, 33.2, 1.08; 1.46.4; 2.22.1; 2.34; l.g. 31.4.

DAINTY SAND and LUCKY SAND (o), 1 mile, 37.2, 1.13; 1.47; 2.21, 2.37.2; 3.02.2; l.g. 35. LUCKY SAND, 3.55.1; l.g. 37.4.

DOMINO (i), 1 mile, 38, 1.15, 1.51, 2.23; l.g. 32.

GENTLE CAT (i), 1 mile, 35.4, 1.10, 1.43; 2.17.2; l.g. 34.2.

MAYBE (o), 1 mile, 35.2, 1.09.1, 1.43.2; 2.15.4; l.g. 32.2.

GREYMOUSE (i), 1 mile, 37, 1.15, 1.51.3; 2.24; l.g. 32.2.

LUTETIAN PEARL (o), 1 mile, last 3, 33.4, 1.13; 1.45; l.g. 32.

MODERATE DALLIA (o), 1 mile, 37.1, 1.13; 1.48.2; 2.20.1; l.g. 31.4.

NEW YEAR (i), 1 mile, 35.2, 1.11.2, 1.47; 2.20.4; l.g. 33.4.

PERMAN CAT (i), 1 mile, 35.1, 1.08, 1.42; 2.14; l.g. 32.

ROCKLAND (o), 1 mile, 32.2, 1.09, 1.42; 2.16.2; 2.51.1; l.g. 34.3.

SHATIN CHIEF (o), 1 mile, 38.2, 1.16.2; 1.51.1; 2.22.2; l.g. 31.1.

SALAMANDER (i), 1 mile, 37, 1.12, 1.44; 2.16; l.g. 32.

SIAMSE CAT (i), 1 mile, 35.4, 1.10, 1.43; 2.17.2; l.g. 34.2.

TYTAN CHIEF (o), 1 mile, last 3, 35, 1.12; 1.44; l.g. 32.

UNIQUE DALLIA (o), 1 mile, 36.2, 1.12; 1.47.2; 2.21; l.g. 33.3.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS.

BALCARNEY and DOBETTEL (i), 35.3, 1.19.4; 1.58; l.g. 34.1.

BITTERN and WHITEHALL (i), 1 mile last 3, 37, 1.15.2; 1.58.1; l.g. 32.3.

BURBLE SAND (i), 1 mile, 33, 1.03, 1.39, 2.15; l.g. 35.

EBONY PEARL (o), 1 mile, 38.4, 1.13, 1.48.2; 2.22; l.g. 33.3.

KING TOM (i), 1 mile, 39, 1.20, 1.58.4, 2.32.1; l.g. 33.2.

KINGSWAY (i), 1 mile, 38, 1.13, 1.55, 2.31, 3.05, 3.38.1; l.g. 34.1.

MEADOW MOUSE (i), 1 mile, 36.4, 1.11.1; 1.48, 2.20; l.g. 32.

PEENSHILL and OVERTURE (o), 1 mile, 37.2, 1.12.2; 1.46.2; 2.19.4; l.g. 33.2.

ROCKMOUSE (i), 1 mile, last 3, 38, 1.18.2; 1.52.1; l.g. 33.4.

TABBY CAT (o), 1 mile, 38.4, 1.13, 1.48.2; 2.22; l.g. 33.3.

STANLEY CHIEF (i), 1 mile, 38.2, 1.17.2, 1.42.2; 2.16; l.g. 33.3.

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PO ON MURDERER SENTENCED TO DEATH.

On the jury finding Ho Hung guilty of the charge of murdering Lam Yik Chau, cashier of the Po On Insurance Company, on August 21, Sir William Rees Davies, K.C., Chief Justice, passed sentence of death. His Lordship, addressing the accused, said: "Ho Hung, you have been found guilty on a very clear evidence and very largely upon your own confession, of being party to a brutal robbery resulting in the death of Lam Yik Chau. There is only one sentence that the law allows me to impose upon a murderer and it is my duty to pronounce it. You are to be hanged by the neck until you die."

Earlier in the case, Chan Yun Chi, an accomplice, gave evidence to the effect that the accused came to him and said there was about \$5,000 in a safe in the Po On firm, and suggested they should steal the money. Accused said he could get Fong Tin, an employee of the firm, to open the door of the premises for them. The matter was finally arranged and it was decided they should kill the cashier. The witness said his part was to remain outside the door and keep watch, in return for which he was to receive \$1,000. Witness told the Court how the murder was committed, and said that after receiving the \$1,000, he went to Canton where he was arrested. Witness said his reason for confessing to being implicated in the crime was that a detective came to him and accused him, saying that if he did not make a clean breast of the affair, it would be the worse for him. He then confessed to the Police.

A statement made by the prisoner after his arrest was also produced in which he confessed to participation in the crime, saying that he held the deceased fast while the others tied and gagged him.

ANOTHER MAN CHARGED.

Fong Tin was arraigned before His Honour Mr. Gompertz at the Supreme Court this morning, with the murder of Lam Yik Chau, in Wing Lok Street, in the offices of the Po On Marine Insurance Co., on August 21 last, and also with the theft of \$5,000 the property of the Po On Co.

The Hon. Mr. Kemp, Attorney-General, prosecuted, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. B. Johnson, defended.

The jury were:—Messrs. U. Conella, Wm. Anderson, P. J. Taylor, B. W. Cormack, A. Stiff, J. Walker and A. Tucker.

Prisoner pleaded not guilty. After evidence was given by Chan Min Chan, an accomplice in the murder, and by Sun Sing, a police informer, the case was adjourned until to-morrow.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, D.S.P. (R.)

There will be no parade and no practices of the Band or buglers and drummers during the week commencing Monday next, February 11th.

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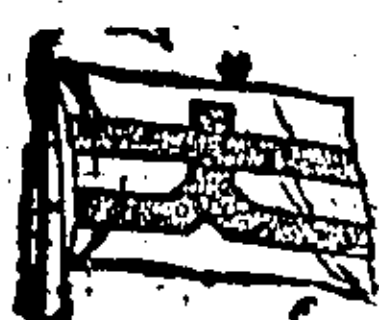
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No claim will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after noon the 8th February, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 12th February, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th February at 10 a.m. by the Company's surveyors, Messrs Godard & Douglas.

No insurance whatsoever has been effected.

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KONINKLIJKE PAKETVAART MAATSCHAPPIJ.

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Storage charges will be assessed on all Cargo remaining undelivered on THURSDAY, 7th February, at 5 p.m.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claim will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown. All chafed and damaged Cargo will be landed into the Company's Godowns, where they will be examined on the 10th February at 10 a.m.

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NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA. *TANGO MARU, Capt. Akamatsu, Tons 12,500, FRIDAY, 16th Feb., at 11 a.m.

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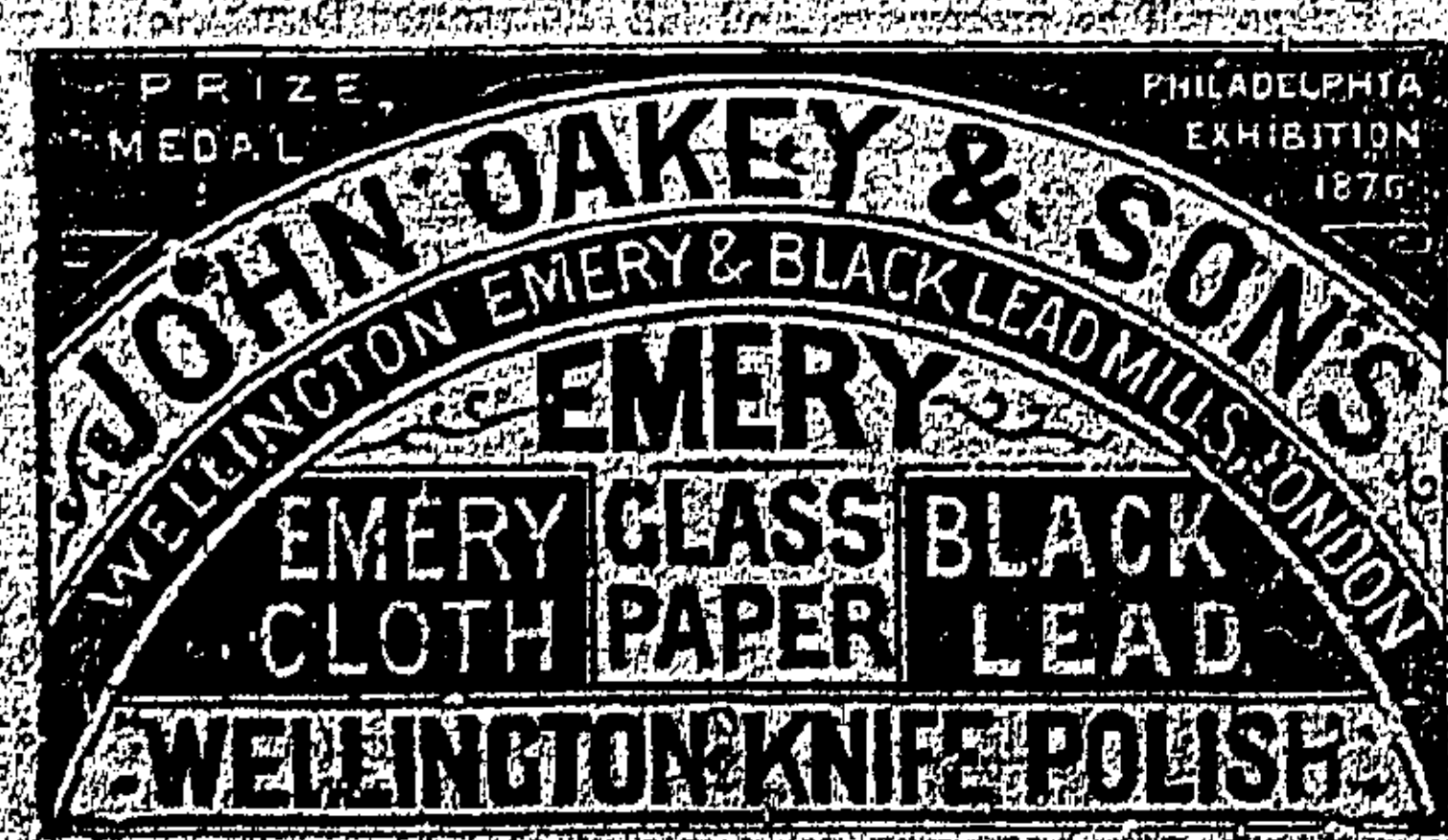
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YAU MATI SCHOOL.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The prizes were distributed by Mr. Ralphs on Tuesday at 3 p.m. The Headmaster, Mr. A. H. Crook, M.A., read the following report—

HEADMASTER'S REPORT.

Attendance.—The average attendance in the various classes was 73 and in the lower classes 81, making a total average attendance of 78, as against 72 last year.

Staff.—The staff at present consists of the Headmaster, 8 assistant masters, and 5 vernacular masters. Mr. Yip took up duties after the Spring Festival. After the summer vacation Messrs. Cheung and Lam were transferred to Wai Yau. Mr. Lam was transferred to the 7th Feb. two days after the school reopened.

Building.—No change has been made in any part of the building or playground, though there is room for expansion if the school grows. As you see, on an occasion like the present, a large hall might be useful which in ordinary school work is unutilized.

Sundry repairs to the roof of the building were carried out during the year by the P.W.D. Discipline.—The discipline and manners throughout the school are very good. The fact that Yau mati is so much out of the parents and guardians of the boys is a credit to the school. It is a credit to the school that it has been able to bring up the boys in such a manner that they are not only good students but also good citizens.

Health.—At the end of the previous year and the only month of 1917, smallpox was prevalent and the scholars were vaccinated. The other ailments were only individual and slight, many of them being with the eye. The thanks of the school are due to Dr. Wong and the Kwong Wo Hospital for their ready attention to all these cases.

Studies.—The general results from the annual examinations were quite good. Arithmetic was very good in classes 4A, 7A, 7B, 8A, 8B, 9A, 9B, 10A, 10B, 11A, 11B, 12A, 12B, 13A, 13B, 14A, 14B, 15A, 15B, 16A, 16B, 17A, 17B, 18A, 18B, 19A, 19B, 20A, 20B, 21A, 21B, 22A, 22B, 23A, 23B, 24A, 24B, 25A, 25B, 26A, 26B, 27A, 27B, 28A, 28B, 29A, 29B, 30A, 30B, 31A, 31B, 32A, 32B, 33A, 33B, 34A, 34B, 35A, 35B, 36A, 36B, 37A, 37B, 38A, 38B, 39A, 39B, 40A, 40B, 41A, 41B, 42A, 42B, 43A, 43B, 44A, 44B, 45A, 45B, 46A, 46B, 47A, 47B, 48A, 48B, 49A, 49B, 50A, 50B, 51A, 51B, 52A, 52B, 53A, 53B, 54A, 54B, 55A, 55B, 56A, 56B, 57A, 57B, 58A, 58B, 59A, 59B, 60A, 60B, 61A, 61B, 62A, 62B, 63A, 63B, 64A, 64B, 65A, 65B, 66A, 66B, 67A, 67B, 68A, 68B, 69A, 69B, 70A, 70B, 71A, 71B, 72A, 72B, 73A, 73B, 74A, 74B, 75A, 75B, 76A, 76B, 77A, 77B, 78A, 78B, 79A, 79B, 80A, 80B, 81A, 81B, 82A, 82B, 83A, 83B, 84A, 84B, 85A, 85B, 86A, 86B, 87A, 87B, 88A, 88B, 89A, 89B, 90A, 90B, 91A, 91B, 92A, 92B, 93A, 93B, 94A, 94B, 95A, 95B, 96A, 96B, 97A, 97B, 98A, 98B, 99A, 99B, 100A, 100B, 101A, 101B, 102A, 102B, 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